

Problem 1

No, there is no such guarantee. There may be datapoints, which either (1) violate the margin, i.e. $0 \leq \xi_i \leq 1$ or (2) are on the wrong side of the hyperplane, i.e. $y_i(w^\top x_i + b) \geq 1 - \xi_i$ does not hold, in this case $\xi_i > 1$.

Problem 2

$C < 0$ we have from the Lagrangian of slack variables that $0 \leq \alpha_i \leq C$ but this obviously does not hold. If $C = 0$, then we have no penalty term in the optimization problem and from the Lagrangian of slack variables it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_i &= -\mu_i \\ 0 \leq \alpha_i &= -\mu_i \\ 0 \leq -\mu_i & \quad (\text{violation of dual feasibility of Lagrangian multipliers } \mu_i \geq 0) \end{aligned}$$

Thus $C > 0$.

Problem 3

We prove that $K(x, y) = (x^\top y + c)^d$ is a kernel by the construction rules.

- $K_1(x, y) = x^\top y$ is a kernel by Rule 5, where $B = I$.
- $K_2(x, y) = c$ is a kernel by Rule 4, where $\phi(z) = \sqrt{c}$, $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$, $m = 1$ and $K_3(x, y) = x^\top y$
- $K_3(x, y) = K_1(x, y) + K_2(x, y)$ is a kernel by Rule 1
- $K_4(x, y) = K_3(x, y)^d$ is a kernel by recursive application of Rule 3

Thus $K(x, y) = (x^\top y + c)^d$ is a valid kernel.

Problem 4**Problem 5****Problem 6****Problem 7**

$$\begin{aligned} \|x - x^{(s_i)}\|_2 &= \sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^M (x_j - x_j^{(s_i)})^2} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^M (x_j - x_j^{(s_i)})^2 \quad (\text{squared distance does not change k nearest neighbors of } x) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^M (\phi(x_j) - \phi(x_j^{(s_i)}))^2 \quad (\text{by feature map } \phi(x)) \\ &= (\phi(x) - \phi(x^{(s_i)}))^T (\phi(x) - \phi(x^{(s_i)})) \\ &= \phi(x)^T \phi(x) - 2\phi(x)^T \phi(x^{(s_i)}) + \phi(x^{(s_i)})^T \phi(x^{(s_i)}) \\ &= K(x, x) + K(x^{(s_i)}, x^{(s_i)}) - 2K(x, x^{(s_i)}) \end{aligned}$$
